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### SECOND QUARTER MILK PRODUCTION

WEST VIRGINIA -- Milk production in West Virginia totaled 48 million pounds during the April - June quarter of 2005. This was down 1 million pounds from the same quarter last year but unchanged from the January - March 2005 quarter. The number of dairy cows averaged 13,000 head, unchanged from the previous quarter and the same quarter last year.

UNITED STATES -- Milk production in the U.S. during the April-June quarter totaled 45.6 billion pounds, up 4.1 percent from the April-June quarter last year. The average number of milk cows in the U.S. during the quarter was 9.04 million head, 34,000 head more than the same period last year.

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